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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Michael A. Markell of Rock Island, who passed away on May 27, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Markell was born on December 29, 1950 in Ottumwa, Iowa; his parents were Joseph and Margaret Markell; he married Mynda Thorpe on August 24, 1986 in Las Vegas, Nevada; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Markell served his country proudly in the United States Air Force during the Vietnam era; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Markell was employed at Alcoa for 28 years until his retirement in 2003; he also worked as a mill operator and wage evaluator for United Steel Workers Local 105; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Markell was a member of the Rock Island GROWTH board and United Steel Workers Local 105; he also served as president of the Greenbush Neighbors; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Markell enjoyed gardening and spending time with his family and friends; and

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WHEREAS, Michael Markell was preceded in death by his

1 parents and his sister, Josephine; and

2 WHEREAS, Michael Markell is survived by his wife, Myndie;  
3 his mother and father-in-law, Priscilla and Bob Bass; his  
4 sisters-in-law, Lisa (Don) Johnson and Ellen (Barry) Leeds; his  
5 nieces, Katelyn and Jennifer; his nephews, Kyle and Sean, and  
6 his great niece, Allurah; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
8 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we, along with his  
9 family and friends, mourn the passing of Michael A. Markell;  
10 and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
12 presented to the family of Michael Markell as an expression of  
13 our sympathy.